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Standard Form 424

Application Status: IN PROGRESS User: Bart Humphreys Action Date: 3/1/2002

APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE

2. DATE SUBMITTED Applicant Identifier

1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION 3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE State Application Identifier
Non-Construction N/A

4. DATE RECEIVED BY FEDERAL AGENCY Federal Identifier

5. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Legal Name
College Station Fire Department

Organizational Unit
N/A

Address
1207 Texas Avenue S College Station
Texas 77840 2434

Name and telephone number of the person to be contacted on
matters involving this application
Bart Humphreys 979-774-3079

6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN)
74-6000534

7. TYPE OF APPLICANT
City

8. TYPE OF APPLICATION
New

9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY
Federal Emergency Management Agency

10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE
NUMBER 85.554

11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT

CFDA Assistance to Firefighters
TITLE Grant Program

Firefighting Vehicle

12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (cities, counties, states, etc.)

13. PROPOSED PROJECT:

Start Date:

End Date :

14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF:

a. Applicant

b. Project

15. ESTIMATED FUNDING

a. Federal 90132
b. Applicant 0
c. State 0
d. Local 38628
e. Other 0
f. Program Income
g. TOTAL 128760

16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE
EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?
N/A

17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT?
No

Alternate Contact Information Number 1

Title	Fire Chief
Salutation	N/A
First Name	David
Middle Initial	K
Last Name	Giordano
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Evening Phone	979-229-7704
Cell Phone	979-229-7704

Fax 979-764-3403
 Email dgiordano@ci.college-station.t

Alternate Contact Information Number 2

Title Assistant Chief
 Salutation N/A
 First Name Eric
 Middle Initial F
 Last Name Hurt
 Day Phone 979-764-3705
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 Email ehurt@ci.college-station.tx.us

Are you a member of Fire Department or authorized representative of a fire department? yes

Are you a member of Federal Fire Department or contracted by the Federal government and solely responsible for suppression of fires on Federal property? no

What kind of Department are you from? All paid/career

If you answered combination, above, what is the percentage of career firefighters in your department?

How would you characterize your response/jurisdiction area? a suburban community

How many active firefighters are in the operations/EMS division of your department? 81

What is the square mileage for your jurisdictions coverage area? 41

What is the permanent resident population of your primary/first-response area or jurisdiction served? 67890

How many stations are in your jurisdiction? 4

If the population you protect is 50,000 or less, you are required to provide a Non-Federal cost-share equal to 10 percent of the total project cost. If the population you protect is over 50,000, you are required to provide a Non-Federal cost-share equal to 30 percent of the total project cost. Are you willing to comply with this requirement? yes

Do you currently report to the national fire incident reporting system (NFIRS)? yes

If you answered yes, above, please enter your FDIN? BC605

If you answered no, above, will you report if you receive this grant?

What services does your department provide? EMS (transportation) Fire Rescue (auto extrication, etc.) Hazmat

* The total number of fire related fatalities in your jurisdiction over the last three years? 0

* On average, how many runs per year does your department make? 4464

* How many times have you received Mutual/Automatic Aid? 182

* How many time have you given Mutual/Automatic Aid? 497

* What is the percentage of your annual operating budget that is dedicated to personnel costs? 83 %

* What percentage of your annual operating budget is derived from:

Taxes?	100 %
Grants?	0 %
Donations?	0 %
Fund drives ?	0 %

Vehicle Profiles

* What is the age of your oldest First Line vehicle? 11 - 15 years

* What is the age of your newest First Line vehicle? 0 - 5 years

* What is the highest mileage for your First Line vehicles? Over 30,000

* What is the lowest mileage for your First Line vehicles? 10,001- 20,000

* How many vehicles do you have within your department by the category specified below?

	First Line	Reserve
a. Engines (or pumpers):	3	3
b. Aerial Apparatus:	1	0
c. Tankers:	0	0
d. Rescue Vehicles:	0	0
e. Other:	4	3

* List all vehicles owned and/or operated by your department, including the year of manufacture and mileage of each vehicle:

Engines:6 1981 - 1999 Aerials:1 1996 Command:1 2001 Ambulance:6 1993 - 2002

Department Call Volume

How many responses per year by category?

Structure Fire	135
Vehicle Fires	66
Vegetation Fires	29
EMS and Rescue	2740
Hazardous Condition/Materials Calls	191
Service Calls	88
Good Intent Calls	234
False Alarms	545
Other Calls and Incidents	436

Request Information

1. Activities of grant for which the funding has been applied via this application. FireFighting Vehicles

2. Will this grant benefit more than one department? Yes

3. If you answered Yes to Q3 above, please specify how?

Our department provides hazardous materials/WMD response to our neighboring community under an automatic aid agreement, and to all four county volunteer departments under written mutual aid agreements, serving a total population of 152,415 within the 586 square miles of Brazos County. This service is also provided to seven surrounding counties on a request-for-service basis, making our total population served almost 283,000 in a 5,385 square mile area.

Activity	Number of Entries	Total Cost	Additional Funding
Firefighting Vehicles	1	\$ 128760	\$ 0
Federal Rate Sharing (%)			70/30
Budget Object Class			
a. Personnel			\$ 0
b. Fringe Benefits			\$ 0
c. Travel			\$ 0
d. Equipment			\$ 128,760
e. Supplies			\$ 0
f. Contractual			\$ 0
g. Construction			\$ 0
h. Other			\$ 0
i. Indirect Charges			\$ 0
Budget Source			
Federal Share			\$ 90,132
Applicant Share			\$ 38,628
Total Budget			\$ 128,760

Narratives

Please provide your narrative statement in the space provided below:

The College Station Fire Department requests a \$90,132 grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and will match this request with \$38,628. The major portion of the grant funds requested would be used for the acquisition of a crew-cab, non-walk through, light duty rescue vehicle. The balance would be used to acquire a 32' enclosed trailer for transportation of Hazardous Materials and Weapons of Mass Destruction response and recovery equipment. Equipment and supplies for these vehicles are being acquired under an Office of Justice Programs Domestic Preparedness Grant or will be transferred from other department apparatus.

There have been recent, significant, far reaching and fiscally demanding changes in the requirements placed upon the fire and emergency medical services of our country. Some impact us nation-wide while others impact us on a state or local level. In some instances we are mandated to meet these new demands and in other instances we are obligated to meet these demands because of our charge to provide a safe, secure environment for our citizens. In both cases there is often inadequate, or no, funding provided to satisfy these mandates.

According to the 2000 Census, the City of College Station has 67,890 permanent residents. Additionally, as the home of Texas A&M University, College Station hosts an annual, temporary population of over 45,000 college students and a daily TAMU workforce in excess of 10,000 people. The College Station Fire Department operates under an automatic aid agreement with the City of Bryan (population 65,400) and under written mutual aid agreements with all four volunteer departments that serve the unincorporated areas within Brazos County (population 152,425).

Although the vehicle and trailer specified in this grant request falls under the definition of "rescue vehicle" it will actually be a multipurpose vehicle used to supplement a variety of operations within our department, enhancing the safety of our firefighters and citizens in several different ways. This vehicle and the requested 32' enclosed trailer would give us the capability of delivering personnel and equipment to any location within our area, thus allowing us to take full advantage of the supplies and equipment our department is receiving under the Office of Justice Programs Domestic Preparedness Grant. Without it, we would be forced to compromise fire suppression resources and respond with only a pickup truck and the limited personnel and equipment that it can carry.

This vehicle will respond to all structure fire calls and function as a squad vehicle providing supplemental staffing for first alarm assignments and equipment for RIT crews. It will also provide a much-needed portable cascade system and rehabilitation supplies on scene. The College Station Fire Department responded to 134 structure fire calls in 2001.

Domestic Preparedness and the threat of Weapons of Mass Destruction and/or Terrorism have definitely been thrust into the forefront. This apparatus would also serve as a "first strike" or rapid intervention vehicle for suspicious letter/package calls and/or hazardous materials incidents. Demand for this service has increased dramatically since September 11, requiring our department to respond to over 100 of these calls in the four month period from November 2001, through February 2002. There have been several incidents, including a recent call to U.S. Congressman Kevin Brady's local office, which have required a full WMD/hazardous materials incident response. Unfortunately, this type of call is expected to continue into the foreseeable future and a vehicle such as the one requested has become a necessity.

In 2000, our department was the lead agency in a complete target, risk, capabilities, and deficiencies assessment of our community. This was preparation for submitting an application to the Office of Justice Programs Domestic Preparedness Grant Program through the Texas Engineering Extension Service. Knowing that we were in competition with over 1,400 political entities within our state we had hope of receiving only a minimal amount of equipment. To our great surprise, only 95 entities in the state completed the entire process and, as a result of the decreased competition, we have been awarded a substantial amount of funds for the direct purchase of equipment and supplies. Although these supplies and equipment will go a long way towards addressing our deficiencies in hazardous materials emergency and WMD response, it brings to light another large problem: our lack of capability to move this equipment and the additional required response personnel to where they are needed.

Besides providing emergency response service to our city, Texas A&M University and the Bush Presidential Library complex, both of which are located within our city limits, our department provides hazardous materials/WMD response to our immediate neighbor, The City of Bryan, Texas, under an automatic aid agreement. This arrangement is out of fiscal necessity on the part of the two cities. The Bryan Fire Department is the lead agency for technical rescue and urban search and rescue, while the College Station Fire Department is lead for Haz Mat and WMD. We have made a conscious decision not to duplicate costly, specialized equipment and to train personnel in each department to serve on these response teams so that a reasonable response capability is locally achieved. This non-duplication of equipment expense allows for better training of personnel in both departments and enhanced response capability that we provide to all county volunteer departments under written mutual aid agreements, serving a total population of 152,415 within the 586 square miles of Brazos County. This service is also provided to seven surrounding counties on a request-for-service basis, making our total population served almost 283,000 in a 5,385 square mile area.

The increased emphasis on Domestic Preparedness/Weapons of Mass Destruction and increased demand for service of this type has been a planning consideration within our department for several years. By definition, the major focus of the department's Fire Protection Master Plan is to address the immediate need for additional stations, fire apparatus and staffing for the provision of basic fire protection and emergency medical services to our community. The tax base and revenue generating capability of this medium-sized community is quite limited, as there is very little industry or taxable venues. The Texas A&M University System and the Bush Presidential Library Complex occupy in excess of thirty percent of the incorporated area of the City. Given the considerable amount of real estate lost to the tax rolls as exempt property, the City has extremely limited options to substantially increase funds available to meet increased community needs, such as WMD response.

Were it not for the OJP grant funding received that will enhance equipment capability, we would not be financially able to move much past the planning stage in our preparation for WMD response. The City's five-year financial forecast does not identify available funds for Domestic Preparedness/WMD and available funds are not projected for several more years. Obtaining this grant, in conjunction with the OJP equipment grant, will be a large step forward in our preparations to confront this greatly increased demand placed on our fire department.

If you received a grant award in the 2001 process, does your current request relate to your 2001 award? N

Assurances Non-Construction Programs

Note: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the awarding agency. Further, certain Federal awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States, and if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the award; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitute or presents the appearance of personal gain.
4. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
5. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. Section 4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the nineteen statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
6. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. Sections 1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (20 U.S.C. Section~ 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. Sections 6101~106), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972(P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcohol Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse alcoholism; (g) sections 523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. 290-dd-3 and 290-ee-3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. Section 3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute under which application for Federal assistance being made; and (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to application.
7. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced whose property is acquired as a result of Federal federally assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
8. Will comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. Sections 1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.
9. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. Section 276a to 276a-7), Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. Section 276c and 18 U.S.C. Sections 874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safe Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 327-333); regarding labor standards for federally assisted construction subagreements.
10. Will comply, if applicable, with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
11. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b)

- notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. Section 1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. Section 7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground source of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended, (PL 93-523); and (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, (P.L. 93-205).
12. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. Section 1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
 13. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470), EO 11593 (identification protection of historic properties), and Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 469a-1 et seq.)
 14. Will comply with P.L. 93-348 regarding protection of human subjects involved in research, development, and related activities supported by this award of assistance.
 15. Will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-544, as amended, 7 U.S.C. 2131 et seq.) pertaining to the care, handling and treatment of warm blooded animals held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.
 16. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. Section 4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
 17. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act of 1984.
 18. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations and policies governing this program.
 19. It will comply with the minimum wage and maximum hours provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act (29 U.S.C 201), as they apply to employees of institutions of higher education, hospitals, and other non-profit organizations.

Signed by Bart Humphreys on 2002-03-13 11:10:04.0

Applicants should refer to the regulations cited below to determine the certification to which they are required to attest. Applicants should also review the instructions for certification included in the regulations before completing this form. Signature on this form provides for compliance with certification requirements under 44 CFR Part 18, "New Restrictions on Lobbying; and 28 CFR Part 17, "Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement) and Government-wide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)." The certifications shall be treated as a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed when the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) determines to award the covered transaction, grant, or cooperative agreement.

1. LOBBYING

A. As required by the section 1352, Title 31 of the US Code, and implemented at 44 CFR Part 18 for persons into a grant or cooperative agreement over \$100,000, as defined at 44CFR Part 18, the applicant certifies that:

(a) No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of the undersigned to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making of any federal grant, the entering into of any cooperative agreement and extension, continuation, renewal amendment or modification of any Federal Grant or cooperative agreement.

(b) If any other funds than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities", in accordance with its instructions. This form must be attached to certification if nonappropriated funds are to be used to influence activities.

(c) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all the subawards at all tiers (including subgrants, contracts under grants and cooperative agreements and subcontract(s)) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

2. Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters (Direct Recipient)

As required by Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, and implemented at 44CFR Part 67, for prospective participants in primary covered transactions, as defined at 44 CFR Part 17, Section 17.510-A, the applicant certifies that it and its principals:

(a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, sentenced to a denial of Federal benefits by a State or Federal court, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency.

(b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application been convicted of or had a civilian judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain or perform a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property.

(c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification: and

(d) have not within a three-year period preceding this application had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default; and

B. Where the applicant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, he or she shall attach an explanation to this application.

3. Drug-Free Workplace (Grantees other than individuals)

As required by the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, and implemented at 44CFR Part 17, Subpart F, for grantees, as defined at 44 CFR part 17, Sections 17.615 and 17.620:

(A) The applicant certifies that it will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

(a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;

(b) Establishing an on-going drug free awareness program to inform employees about:

- (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
- (2) The grantees policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
- (3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation and employee assistance programs; and
- (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;

(c) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant to be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);

(d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will:

- (1) Abide by the terms of the statement and
- (2) Notify the employee in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction.

(e) Notifying the agency, in writing within 10 calendar days after receiving notice

under subparagraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to the applicable FEMA awarding office, i.e. regional office or FEMA office.

(f) Taking one of the following actions, against such an employee, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted:

- (1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or
- (2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement or other appropriate agency.

(g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f).

(8) The grantee may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant:

Place of Performance

Street

City

State

Zip

Signed by Bart Humphreys on 2002-03-13 11:10:04.0

Section 17.630 of the regulations provide that a grantee that is a State may elect to make one certification in each Federal fiscal year. A copy of which should be included with each application for FEMA funding. States and State agencies may elect to use a Statewide certification.

Disclosure of Lobbying Activities

1. Type of Federal Action

2. Status of Federal Action

3. Report Type

4. Name and Address of Reporting Entity:

5. If Reporting Entity in No.4 is a Subawardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime:

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6. Federal Department/Agency

7. Federal Program Name/Description

8. Federal Action Number *if Known*:

9. Award Amount if known

10a. Name and address of Lobbying Registrant:
(if individual, last name, first name, MI)

10b. Individuals Performing Services:
(including address if different from No.10a)

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Information requested through this form is authorized by title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be reported to the Congress semi-annually and will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

